## Coming Out of the Closet, with Arms Bared

On February 12, 2021, Texas State Representative, Matt Schaefer filed House Bill 1927. Under House Bill 1927, Texans 21 and older would no longer need a license, to carry a handgun in public. As is already the case as it pertains to long guns. Senator Charles Schwertner, said, "We cannot allow another session to come and go where we paid lip service to the second amendment while failing to fully restore and protect the rights of citizens granted by the constitution."

See HB 1927:

https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/BillStages.aspx? LegSess=87R&Bill=HB1927

I am not opposed to any citizen carrying firearms, in public or otherwise, convicted felons included. In fact, society would become safer as a result. I would reason that if a convicted felon or otherwise violent predator can survive amongst a properly armed citizenry, he/she is in all likelihood, reformed.

#### Regarding the right to bear arms and licensure ---

If you are a natural born citizen of the several United States; you are the licensor, not the licensee. A licensor is a person or a company with exclusive legal rights over a thing that gives, sells or otherwise surrenders to another a limited right to use that thing. The person benefiting from the grant is called a licensee and the legal term used to describe the authority so given is license. "We The People" in the "Bill of Rights," did not surrender the right to bear arms to the government. In fact, we explicitly forbid the government from infringing on said right. Freedom necessitates the bearing of arms and is indispensable to the preservation of a free state. Moreover, life, being an unalienable right; it follows logically that if one has an individual right to life, one has an individual right to protect and preserve one's life, including the means to effectuate same. Not only that, one's natural duty to protect one's children, family and household

cannot be delegated to a corporation (Governmental entity, Police, etc.) as if it were a contractual duty. Therein lies the rub. In your heart of hearts, you know it is your responsibility to protect yourself and your duty to protect your children... but many do not, because they are afraid of being prosecuted (positive law) by governmental authorities, should they make preparations or take actions necessary to guarantee their safety and the safety of those they have an unalienable natural duty to protect.

#### Positive vs Negative Reinforcement---

The recent emergence of "privately funded" antigun special interest groups' vilifying lawful firearm ownership and use, act as a self-fulfilling prophecy (negative reinforcement). Whereby, fostering illegal, unlawful and unnecessary gun violence, in direct conflict to their stated purpose.

I believe society as a whole would benefit greatly if Texas were to "come out of the closet," offering firearm safety, etiquette, proficiency and use of force classes in its public schools. As well as establishing a competitive shooting league, holding district, regional and state competitive shooting events, similar to other school sanctioned sporting events. Texas youth would aspire to be recognized and respected for their proficiency and responsible keeping and handling of firearms. A sport that my experience tell me, young women would undoubtedly dominate (positive reinforcement).

Regards,

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#### A Story out of Greece, Headline Reads---

"Husband 'begged' burglars as they strangled British woman in front of baby and killed dog at Greece home."

The burglars should have been the ones begging for their lives not the husband (my opinion).

The regulation of firearms in Greece is categorized as restrictive. Under such a system a person seeking to buy a firearm, typically a handgun, must provide the licensing authority with evidence of good character and have a valid reason why he needs the firearm. The applicant must give a sufficient reason for allowing him to have a gun rather than the licensing authority being required to show a reason for denying the request. The restrictive system provides that "nobody but..." those who are specifically approved may legally possess the firearms claimed by the system.

Proponents of restrictive licensing say it attempts to reduce firearm violence by substantially reducing the number of firearms in circulation.

### Husband 'begged' burglars as they strangled British woman in front of baby and killed dog at Greece home

Caroline Crouch, 20, was strangled to death in front of her 11month-old baby in the early hours of Tuesday near Athens.

By Tim Baker, news reporter

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Husband 'begged' burglars to not harm family

# The husband of a British woman killed in front of their 11-month-old child in Greece "begged" burglars not to harm his family.

The father said the criminals threatened to kill the baby if the pair did not say where their money and jewellery was kept.

Caroline Crouch, 20, was tortured and then strangled in the home invasion near Athens in the early hours of Tuesday.



Image: Caroline Crouch with her husband Charalambos Anagnostopoulos

Her husband, helicopter pilot Charalambos Anagnostopoulos, 32, was tied up and gagged first after intruders reportedly broke in through a ground floor window.

The thieves then went to another room where Ms. Couch was sleeping next to her child and interrogated her.

Mr. Anagnostopoulos said at one point he heard the burglars say to his partner "tell us where the money is, we will kill the baby", according to local media.

It is thought that martial arts trained Ms. Crouch started screaming, and was then asphyxiated.

The family's dog was also killed, while the baby was unharmed.

Mr. Anagnostopoulos managed to call the police after loosening his bonds.



Image: A coffin is carried from the house in Athens. Pic: Rex/Eurokinissi/Shutterstock

Investigators believe the killers knew the couple had savings hidden in the house, and kept the couple under surveillance before they struck.

Speaking to Greek television, Mr. Anagnostopoulos said: "I cannot describe it. I cannot describe it.

"I hope this will not happen to anyone else.

"Police are doing their job and they will catch them. I hope what my family and the family of my wife has been through will not happen to anyone again.

"We begged them. We told them where the money was."

The Greek government has offered a £260,000 reward for information in relation to the incident.

Public order minister Michalis Chrisochoidis said the killing was "particularly heinous".

He added: "One rarely encounters such barbarity in Greece, in Greek society, even among criminals."

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